

STAR WEEKLY

TORONTO
DECEMBER 23, 1944

10
CENTS



BIG BATTLESHIPS SPEARHEAD BRITAIN'S SEA MIGHT



DISCHARGING both her torpedoes simultaneously, this Royal Navy motor torpedo boat cuts through the water at high speed during a coastal attack. These boats are important on close-in coastal work, having speed and hitting power to spare.



A DEAFENING SALVO from the guns of H.M.S. Duke of York covers the battleship with dense clouds of powder smoke. The guns are not only effective against enemy warships, but can relentlessly pound shore batteries and coastal communications.



A BRITISH MIDGET submarine like this with a two-man crew did effective work against the German battleship *Van Tirpitz* in a Norwegian fiord. It was crippled and later sunk by planes. The Jap two-man subs at Pearl Harbor did no damage.



MINE SWEEPING in the coastal waters surrounding Great Britain has been an important part of the navy's work. Here an "cropepa" float, essential in mine sweeping, is being dropped over a ship's side.



VIGILANCE is the price of safety at sea. A look-out in the crow's nest keeps constant watch for subs, enemy aircraft, floating mines and wreckage. Overhead here in the Thames estuary is a balloon barrage.



THIS POMPOM battery is all set for action against any hostile planes that may attempt to bomb the warship. The crew consists of marines who specialize in gunnery as well as landing operations. They're wearing asbestos masks and gloves.



BIG BATTLESHIPS monopolize attention but they cannot do without such protecting craft as destroyers, of which Britain has a large number including those secured by lend-lease from the U.S. Here's one of the latest of these British warships.



THE PACIFIC WAR has proved the enormous value of the plane carriers that did so much damage recently to the Japs at Leyte. That signaller who waves in a Hell Cat to the deck of a British escort carrier, H.M.S. Ravager, is called a "batsman."



GIANTS LIKE THESE constitute Britain's chief claim to naval supremacy. This is the 35,000-ton Duke of York which carried Churchill to the States in Dec., 1941, just after the outbreak of war with Japan. The ship is 745 feet in overall length and carries a crew of 1,500 men. Its main armament is ten 14-inch guns.



THE ROYAL NAVY is preparing for battle with Japan and already carriers have bombed Sumatra oil plants. This cruiser has its AA guns ready for emergencies.

RAKING IN OYSTERS IN MALPEQUE BAY



OYSTERMEN are invariably fond of oysters and think nothing of six dozen at a sitting. Fred England of Ellerslie Downs, Prince Edward Island, downs a luscious Malpeque that he has impaled on his oyster knife. It goes straight from shell to consumer. It is generally admitted that Malpeque bay, into which the cold Labrador current flows, produces Canada's best oysters; some say the world's finest.



THAT'S A "SPAT" collector. Spats are pinhead size oyster spawn. Collected on these frames they are anchored to the bottom and grow as big as saucers.



THERE'S MORE to oyster farming than just gathering them. Gear such as boats and rakes need attention. Joachim Des Roche of Miscouche makes repairs.



HERE'S A BARRELFUL coming ashore. They are dredged from the bottom in water six to 25 feet deep and the deeper the water the better the oyster. There's a lot of weight in one of these barrels and to fill four of them is considered a good day's work for a first-class man. The oystermen are farmers, too. Their oyster patch—usually two or three acres in undersea area—is leased from the government.



ONE 170-POUND barrel of the finest Malpeques is worth \$20. Oysters are vocally inactive but as pumping stations they're far from inert. Each oyster pumps 25 gallons of water through itself in a day. That's how it gets food. Malpeque bay is on P.E.I.'s north shore.



WISE OYSTER farmers look ahead. Even while gathering this year's crop they provide for a harvest years from now. They're letting down trays of "spats" which will be marketable oysters in two years and of mature size in about five years.



MEN HAVE NO monopoly of this oyster game. This Miscouche woman, Mrs. F. Gaudet, took over her late husband's oyster leases and works them herself since her three sons in uniform are not able to give a helping hand at harvest time.



THIS VETERAN oyster man, Fred England, puts young oysters in frames that, sunk to the bottom, will give protection. He breaks shells apart if grown together.



OYSTERS are brought to the surface by means of these "tongs" as the fishermen call them. They are on the same principle as those the icemen use.



THEY ARE REALLY a double rake. When the two sections of the tongs or scissors are brought together they catch a couple of dozen oysters in their prongs.

THE CAMERA CATCHES WAR SCENES AT TWO FRONTS



MADAME'S GESTURE indicates that in her joy at the liberation of her home town, Belfort, on the Rhine frontier, she is willing to take to her heart the whole U.S. army as well as this soldier. The Belfort males spared him the Gallic kiss.



RENDERED HOMELESS by the retreating Germans who set the town on fire, these residents of French Corcieux have to rely on the Allies for food and shelter. They are eating a frugal lunch in a ruined courtyard. Note their wooden shoes.



TO LESSEN the concussion effect of this explosion the soldier flings himself flat on the ground. U.S. engineers have blown up a pill box on the Cologne road.



HERE IS the most famous "Edda" in Italy now that Il Duce's daughter is forgotten. She's a clever little donkey to whom untying a handkerchief is child's play.



YANK, the army weekly, has written her up and made her famous. She tours with her trainer, Sgt. D. Wallen. He says she can do everything except drive the truck.



THIS TRICK never fails to get a big hand from the troops. Taking a cigarette from her trainer's mouth the donkey chews it. He brought her up on a bottle.



DRA! THAT MUD! This dispatch rider hopes his rear wheel will drive him through an Italian airfield mudhole.

Add Sparkle to the Season

TAKE HOME A DOZEN



NO FINER CARBONATED BEVERAGE GOES INTO ANY BOTTLE

"PEPSI-COLA" is the registered trade-mark in Canada of Pepsi-Cola Company of Canada, Limited

The Star Weekly, Toronto, December 25, 1944

ALLIES FORGE MISSING LINK IN CHAIN TO TOKYO



"THANKS, PAL," is probably what this Australian soldier is saying to this native as the ebony stretcher-bearer offers a cigarette and light to his wounded white ally.



STOUT-HEARTED and still with a smile on his face, this weakened U.S. air force man, unable to walk, is being carried out of the jungle after bailing out of his plane which was forced down over Burma. He was lost for 45 days in the jungle



DURING A LULL in the fighting, members of a U.S. ock-ock gun crew "shoot the bull" with three small native citizens of Leyte island. The children, atop the family's patient animal, seem absorbed in the talk with the strange newcomers.



OVER THE GRAVE of an unknown U.S. marine stands the lone figure of an Australian sister, offering up a silent prayer. She was questioned at rifle point by Japs, suspected of harboring U.S. aviators.



LOOKING FOR RATS in a trap are these U.S. soldiers as they stand ready at the mouth of a Jap pillbox on an island in the South Pacific. The Japs held the island, but were expelled under blistering fire.

OLD ST. NICK HOLDS JUVENILE COURT



"I WANT MY MUMMY!" cried 17-months-old Donald Sanderson, after patiently waiting with her in a long line of youngsters and their parents to see jolly old Saint Nicholas. Intrigued by the fat old gentleman in his red and white furs and long, flowing beard, he was unperturbed until his Mummy lifted him up and set him on Santa's knee. Instantly his lower lip began to tremble, and the camera caught him bursting into tears.



FULL OF AWE is six-months-old Ronald Tomicki, as he gazes at the cascade of snow-white beard that tumbles from the Christmas saint's chin, with wide-open mouth.



THIS YOUNG Galt shaver, Wayne Lawrence, who is three and one-half, with unabashed aplomb gets Santa's ear, tells him his wants.

... say
"Merry
Christmas
with
clifton

GIFTS of charm and beauty

Has gift-giving got you guessing? Fret no longer . . . head for your nearest cosmetic counter and ask to be shown the gay, colourful Clifton Gift Sets . . . truly fine quality beauty preparations.

Clifton 3-piece Gift Set



Consists of Cologne, Dusting Powder and Bath Crystals. Fragrances: Appleblossom, Sweet Clover, Carnation, Honeyauckle. Attractively boxed.

\$2.00

★ Dusting Powder and Cologne Set . . . **\$1.65**

★ Dusting Powder and Bath Crystal Set . . . **\$1.50**

★ DeLuxe Pine Bath Oil and Soap Set—32 oz.—nested in silk-lined box, **\$5.00**

★ Clifton Complexion Cake Make-Up . . . **65¢**

Clifton Petals are available in refill jars at . . . **45¢**

Prices slightly higher in some localities. 5-44

clifton
LIMITED

TORONTO LIMITED CANADA

SNOWBALL WOMEN PAY OFF DEBTS THEN PAINT CHURCH



NOT CONTENT with paying off all debts, a process involving several years of sacrifice and quite a few church socials, the ladies of Snowball, Ont., decided to make their church beautiful inside and out, as well as debt free. All summer and fall they were decorating and as winter forces a cessation of activity, they'll complete the job in the spring. The pastor, Rev. W. J. Burton, collaborated in a supervisory capacity. The real work of paint mixing and spreading was done by the women themselves without male help. Above, Mrs. Herbert Patrick paints the floor.



THIS CROWD SCENE presents all the ladies in simultaneous action, undeterred by a light snowfall. They do not hesitate to climb tall ladders and stand on trestles and, as can be seen above, neither are they afraid to stand underneath ladders.



THE BUCKET BRIGADE is what they call themselves. With paint pots and brushes, they line up for supplies in military fashion. And they're no awkward squad. They have acquired a skill in house painting that entitles them to a union card.



MESSY JOBS don't appal these enthusiasts, Mrs. H. Haines and Mrs. Calvin Mitchell are mixing the paint.



NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR HYPNOTISTS



SEEING'S BELIEVING with regard to hypnotism. In a mesmerized state, stiff as a board between two chairs, a pupil in a New York school for hypnotism lets 200-pound Clark Bellows stand on his stomach. When he wakes, can't remember a thing. The hypnotist has told his spellbound pupil that he is a bridge, and the latter seems to be accepting the fact. Hitler knew the value of a form of mass hypnosis.



LECTURERS are generally considered a failure if they put their audience to sleep, but that is not so in teaching hypnotism. The instructor in this school is so good he puts the whole class to sleep. There has been little change in technique since Franz Mesmer invented it over 150 years ago. A wave of the hand does it.

The Star Weekly, Toronto, December 23, 1944



SHE'S HYPNOTIZED beyond a doubt. Otherwise the lighted match couldn't fail to make her eyes blink.



**AS
FLOWER
PETALS**

Exquisitely tailored
to fit . . .
with Quality that
lasts . . .

Mercury Van Raalle
*Because you love
nice things*

Mercury Mills Limited, Hamilton, Ontario.

GIRL FIGHTERS HAVE A SHARE IN RUSSIA'S TRIUMPH



RUSSIAN WOMEN, serving as medical orderlies, think nothing of going right into the front lines. There is a battle going on not far from this post where this girl bandages a wounded man's head. There are thousands of girls just like her.



THE FIELD KITCHEN moving forward with the Russian armies often has a feminine touch as here. The job is no sinecure, for if you look closely you can see bullet holes that were made in the stew pot during a raid by a swooping plane.



THEY HAVE BROUGHT their luggage, but where is their former Vitebsk home? This is merely one sample of the damage the Germans left behind them as they retreated in White Russia. Russia's house shortage is even greater than England's.



SERVING with the Czechoslovakian Corps in the Russian army, Sergeant Maria Pavlova of the signal troops won that "For Valor" medal and the Military Cross she proudly displays. It is a Czech decoration.



THEY WERE underground fighters in every sense of the term. Odessa has extensive catacombs like Paris and Rome, and these are a group of Odessa Partisans.

SNAPSHOTS FROM HOLLYWOOD



ESTHER WILLIAMS, an M-G-M star, does not need to put on a white beard and the other traditional trappings to make a very effective Santa Claus. With an armful of gifts she knocks on a Hollywood door. There's snow but it's the studio kind.



THESE FOUR little misses, now parlor misses in R.K.O. pictures, were once Miss Americas. It is easy to guess why they are all simultaneously so pensive. They are, of course, all wondering what will be in their stockings on Christmas morning. Left to right they are: Rosemary La Plante, Virginia Belmont, Patti Brill, Nancy Marlow.



IT'S JACK BENNY whispering something strictly private to Mary Livingston in a Hollywood night spot.

"I'm sure spanking him can't be the answer!"



1. I guess I'd been as much at fault as Frank, but when I saw him start for the hairbrush I just had to stop him. I couldn't bear another of those "laxative scenes"! Little Peter wailing that he wouldn't take "that nasty-tasting stuff," and two grownups trying to force it on him.



2. "After all," I reasoned, "we can't expect spanking to make Peter like something he *hates*. It's the kind of thing he doesn't understand. Why not let me call Jane and find out if there isn't a better way than spanking?"



3. Jane, my sister, is in charge of a day nursery; and she wasn't long in giving me the solution. "It's *wrong* to force medicine on a child," she said. "It may do more harm than good . . . by upsetting his entire system."



4. So I told Frank that Jane advised me to try a *pleasant-tasting* laxative—Castoria. "It's made *especially* for children. Castoria is safe and gentle, yet effective for children from babyhood to 10 years. I'm taking Jane's advice right now."



5. Our druggist praised Castoria, too. "I always recommend it," he said, "particularly at this season when colds are prevalent and there's apt to be more need for a laxative." At his suggestion, I bought the money-saving Family Size bottle.



6. And how right Jane's advice was! We gave Peter Castoria when we got home, and everything was smiles instead of whimpers. He really *liked* it. "Let's give Jane a medal for knowing her stuff," said Frank, grinning.



As the medical profession knows, the chief ingredient in Castoria—senna—has an excellent reputation in medical literature.

Research has proved that senna works mostly in the lower bowel, so it rarely disturbs the appetite or digestion. In regulated doses, senna produces easy elimination and almost never grips or irritates.

CASTORIA

The **SAFE** laxative made especially for children.

LONE LASS TENDS LIGHTHOUSE



REFLECTORS for the light have to be polished every day so that the beam will be cast as far across the gulf as possible. Despite the fact that Betty Morrissey, above, depends on the happenings at sea for her livelihood, she has never had any love for it.



IN CASE a downed airman or shipwrecked sailors are close enough to the shore surrounding the North Cape lighthouse, built before Confederation, this dory is kept ready. When such emergencies arise, Betty speedily forgets her aversion to boating.



ON THE farthest north and remotest point on Prince Edward Island, North Cape, a pretty 17-year-old girl, Betty Morrissey, tends the dominion government's marine lighthouse. The light serves ocean traffic in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and is a guiding light for planes. Betty first started helping at the light when she was 15, and recently took charge when her older sister, Lillian, fell ill. Living close to the sea (so close that stormy seas break over the light itself!) has not made Betty love it. She doesn't like to swim or boat, gets sick on fishing trips. The largest town Betty has ever seen is Alberton, 1,500 persons. Most of her time is spent at the 83-year-old light, which used to be encircled by six acres of land, but is now 50 feet from the angry sea. Often she knocks off, and goes to see her idol, Bing Crosby, in a movie, or to dance. She is seen at **TOP RIGHT** peering seawards from the lookout platform, always on the alert for any planes lost in the sea, for strange lights or Axis subs that may have evaded coastal radar stations. In the photo, just below, our sharp-eyed lighthouse lassie makes her regular report to Charlottetown headquarters on occurrences at sea and her meteorological report.

SHIRRIFF'S
Lushus
A JELLY DESSERT
Plenty more like this War

Stop **OSMOSE**
WOOD ROT FOR GREEN WOOD & POSTS
PENTOX
use FOR DRY WOOD ALSO FABRICS

WALK ON
Happy Feet
Are you in agony from the cruel, crippling pain of a sore corn? Stick on a Blue Jay corn plaster right away and feel real relief! Blue Jay's medication eases up the pain, gets right after the core of the corn to remove it entirely. Works while you walk... in comfort... costs only a few cents per corn. Get Blue Jay at your drug counter today!
BLUE JAY FOR CORNS



IT'S A WET TRIP from the lighthouse to the life-saving dory which is kept ready for any emergency, but Miss Morrissey is well protected with her rubber boots and glistening rubber coat and hat. Fifth Avenue styles have no place in this young Canadian's work day. The rope helps greatly in climbing the rugged shore.



—Photos by Hal Barkley

IN A GALE, the wild north wind makes it impossible for Betty to walk from the cottage to the lighthouse without hanging on to a stout rope. Here, with a lantern over her arm, she battles the high wind and lashing spray to cover the short distance between home and "office." It's a rugged life.



BETTY'S an excellent housekeeper, too, and can whip up a delicious batch of biscuits or pies whenever she's off duty. Above she is seen climbing the long stairway in the lighthouse to inspect the lamp.



BINOCULARS are a necessary tool in the lighthouse keeper's trade and Betty keeps them handy at all times. She must keep a sharp watch on the seas and skies for ships off course or airplanes in distress.

MACDONALD'S
BRIER
Canada's Standard Smoke

60

Stop that Cough!

WATSON'S LINSEED LOZENGES

5¢

WATSON'S LINSEED LIQUORICE LOZENGES

WATSON'S LINSEED LIQUORICE LOZENGES

WATSON'S LINSEED LIQUORICE LOZENGES

HAS HE FOUND SOMEBODY NEW?

Your breath — may be the reason!

76% of all adults have bad breath! Play safe—use COLGATE'S TOOTH POWDER

Scientific tests prove conclusively that in seven out of ten cases COLGATE'S TOOTH POWDER instantly stops oral bad breath. SAVES YOU MONEY! Compared to other leading brands, a large tin of Colgate's gives you up to 30 more brushings—a giant tin up to 46 more brushings—for not a penny more!

CLEANS YOUR BREATH AS IT CLEANS YOUR TEETH

COLGATE'S NYLON TOOTH BRUSH
Colgate Nylon Bristles Can't Get Soggy.

SPECIAL VALUE 29¢

TIP TO SMOKERS! Colgate's Tooth Powder is one of the quickest, easiest ways to guard against tobacco stain and tobacco breath! Get Colgate's today.

COLGATE'S TOOTH POWDER
25c 40c





SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD Betty Morrissey lights the 83-year-old beacon atop her lighthouse on the remotest and loneliest point on Prince Edward Island. The light serves ocean traffic in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and is a guide for planes. See pages 18 and 19 for more pictures and story.